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FISHERY UPDATE



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JUNEAU HERRING UPDATE #11

The department conducted an aerial survey of Lynn Canal, Tenakee Inlet, and Seymour Canal today. Survey conditions were fair to good with overcast skies and southeasterly winds light to 20 knots. In Berners Bay, 92 sea lions and 4 whales were observed, with the majority of predators between Pt. Bridget and Cascade Point. No herring or herring spawn was observed.

In Tenakee Inlet, 57 sea lions and 1 whale were observed. The majority of the sea lions were in two large rafts between Kadashan and Crab Bay. No herring or herring spawn was observed.

In Seymour Canal, 147 sea lions and 3 whales were observed. The majority of predators were between Blackjack and Sore Finger Coves. One very small school of herring was observed pressed to the beach by a pair of sea lions just north of Pleasant Bay with one whale nearby. No other herring or herring spawn was observed.

A spot spawn and one school of herring was observed in Hobart Bay, just north of Entrance Island.

The next aerial survey of Seymour Canal is planned for Friday, May 3.

2013 Seymour Canal Survey Summary

April 15	No herring activity, 60 sea lions.
April 17	No herring activity, 68 sea lions.
April 19	No herring activity, 63 sea lions, 1 whale.
April 21	No herring activity, 104 sea lions, 2 whales.
April 23	No herring activity, 67 sea lions, 1 whale.
April 25	No herring activity, 54 sea lions, 1 whale.
April 27	No herring activity, 93 sea lions, 6 whales.
April 29	No herring activity, 108 sea lions, 2 whales.
April 30	No herring activity, 77 sea lions, 5 whales.
May 2	One very small school of herring, no herring spawn, 147 sea lions, 3 whales.

Juneau herring updates will be posted on the ADF&G web site listed below.

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